



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA  
FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION  
April 27, 2023  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
Santa Barbara City Hall, Council Chambers  
735 Anacapa Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting on Thursday, April 27, 2023, was called to order at 3:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Fire & Police Commissioners:

**Commissioners Present:**

Lizzie Rodriguez, Chair  
Linda Dozer, Vice Chair  
Daniel Herlinger, Commissioner  
Gary Hill, Commissioner

**Commissioners Absent:**

Ana Zepeda, Commissioner

**Staff Present:**

Chris Mailes, Fire Chief  
Kelly Gordon, Police Chief  
John S. Doimas, Assistant City Attorney  
Barbara Andersen, Senior Assistant to the City Administrator  
Nicole Grisanti, Commission Secretary  
Lori Pedersen, Business Manager  
Joscelyn Martinez, Police Technician, Permits and Licensing  
Hassan Aden, Consultant

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment received.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Herlinger to approve the March 23, 2023 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Vice Chair Dozer.

**VOTE:** Electronic vote results showed four (4) in favor of approving minutes. (Zepeda Absent)

**DANCE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR WHISKEY RICHARDS DUE TO CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Hill to approve the dance permit application for Whiskey Richards. Motion seconded by Commissioner Herlinger.

**VOTE:** Electronic vote results showed four (4) in favor of approving minutes. (Zepeda Absent)

**OIR GROUP AUDIT OF SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND PRACTICES**

Barbara Andersen from the City Administrator’s Office presented major observations and key recommendations from the Audit of the Santa Barbara Police Department conducted by the OIR Group. Andersen was joined by Police Chief Kelly Gordon to provide an update on the status of the Audit recommendations.

The Commission would like Item #22 from the OIR Group Audit Report added to an upcoming Fire and Police Commission Agenda.

**FY2024 BUDGET REVIEW FOR THE SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Police Chief Kelly Gordon, joined by Business Manager Lori Pedersen, presented the proposed budget for the Police Department for FY2024.

**FY2024 BUDGET REVIEW FOR THE SANTA BARBARA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Fire Chief Chris Mailes presented the proposed budget for the Fire Department for FY2024.

**QUARTERLY REPORT OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED BY THE SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Commander Kasi Corbett of the Police Department spoke to the quarterly reporting of complaints received by the Department as required under the new oversight duties of the Fire and Police Commission.

**AB 481 ANNUAL REPORTING FOR THE SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Commander Charlie Katsapis of the Police Department provided a report on the use of military equipment by the Department as required by AB 481.

**COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Commissioner Dozer shared that she will be attending the Police Activities League (PAL) Annual Fundraising Event the following evening.

Chair Rodriguez shared her insights after attending Coffee with a Cop and the Polar Plunge. She also mentioned that she will be attending the PAL Annual Fundraising Event.

Commissioner Hill shared his insights after participating in a ride along with the Santa Barbara Police Department.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.